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## Robinson crowned

by Myla Brooks  
Contributing Writer

An evening of sophistication was the theme for the third annual Miss Black and Gold Pageant held Oct. 6, in the Union Ballroom. The event was an Alpha Phi Alpha Fraternity, Inc., Rho Theta Chapter presentation.

Audrey Robinson, a Northwest student majoring in broadcasting and theatre, was crowned Miss Black and Gold 1990. Robinson gave an inspiring dramatization and song as her talent which left the audience standing in applause.

Three Northwest contestants and two Missouri Western contestants competed for the Miss Black and Gold crown.

Each girl was required to perform a talent, model formal attire and answer impromptu questions on the role of black women and their definition of success.

Before the crowning ceremony Shante Laird, Miss Black and Gold 1989, gave her description of the future Miss Black and Gold.

In her opinion the crown belongs to the "one who best fits the description of a positive, intuitive, confident black woman."

"I plan to be a positive role model for the future generation," said Robinson.

Miss Black and Gold 1990 will go on to the the state convention held in February at the University of Missouri. Whoever wins the state convention will represent the state of Missouri in the regional conference in Milwaukee, Wis., and perhaps the national conference in Baltimore, Md.



"PARADISE BY THE DASHBOARD LIGHTS"—Hot and sweaty from his explosive opening number, Meatloaf rocks the crowd Wednesday night in Lamkin gym. Meatloaf made a stop in Maryville for the 10th anniversary of his triple platinum album "Bat Out of Hell." (Photo by Brandon Russell)

CAPS sponsors concert

## Meatloaf brings "Paradise" to fans

by Jenny Fitch  
Contributing Writer

Meatloaf and the Netherland Express entertained an estimated crowd of 1,750 in Lamkin Gym Wednesday night.

One member of the audience found himself more involved in the concert than he ever expected.

During one song, Meatloaf accused Brandon Constant of not singing and not being part of the "brotherhood." Meatloaf went on to say that Constant had two avenues of salvation.

"One is to pay out \$5 to all your brothers and sisters, the other is to start singing," Meatloaf said. Constant opted for the singing.

Constant may have had his arm twisted a little bit, but the concert went over well with him anyway.

"The concert was superb," Constant said. "Because of the skits and the lighting and the singing, everything, the concert was great. The crowd went nuts. It was the best concert I ever saw."

CAPS decided to bring Meatloaf to campus after viewing his performance at the National Association of Campus Activities, said special events coordinator Kayce Corbin. "Plus the price was right," she said. The price was \$10,000.

The "Bat Out of Hell 10th Anniversary Tour" sold over 900 pre-sold tickets at the price of \$5 for students, \$8 for faculty and \$10 for general admission.

"It was a good concert in general," said graduate student Al Stewart. "For the size of the concert, and the band that played, I didn't expect it to be that good. It was one of the better concerts that I've seen."

The crowd also got into the performance, according to Stewart, who worked security. "I think they were very receptive. The crowd got into it quite a bit. For the size of the market we have here we had a good turnout."

Most people agreed that the best part of the performance was during the encore with "Paradise by the Dashboard Lights" in which Meatloaf performed a skit with scantily clad band member Amy Duff.

"The best part of the whole concert was the finale, whenever he did 'Paradise,'" said Constant.

"The best part," said sophomore Ron Sparks, "was the girl who had half of her clothes off."

Most would agree the worst part was, "when it ended," said Sparks.

"Bat out of Hell" became one of the longest charting record when it was released 10 years ago. In conjunction with the tour, Meatloaf will be releasing a new album, "Bat Out of Hell II."

Upcoming events for CAPS include a "Die Hard" double feature, showing "Die Hard I" and "Die Hard II, Die Harder" back to back for one price of \$2. The films will be shown in the Dugout at 7:30 p.m. for the first film and 10 p.m. for the second Thursday, Friday and Saturday.

## Campus telephone service grows

## Voice message service offered to students

by Tracy Lykins  
Staff Writer

With the popularity of answering machines rising, faculty, staff and students may be happy to know that a voice messages service has been offered to Northwest.

Telecommunications coordinator at Northwest, Dave Sherry, says, "Voice messaging is a rapidly spreading technology in the corporate world and probably one of the hottest ones going right now."

In order for the students to

receive the voice messages service, the proposal has to be approved by the fee's committee and the Board of Regents. Currently, students pay \$12.50 a semester for local telephone service.

The proposal will cause an additional charge of \$12.50 to be added to a student's phone services next fall in order to receive the voice messages services, and each resident will receive mailbox plus four custom calling features that are available now, but for a higher price. Call waiting, last

number redial, speed call short and ring again are currently \$10 apiece or \$25 for all four, but will be added next year at no additional charge if the proposal is passed.

Students will be able to leave a personal message for their callers. The caller has the ability not only to leave a message, but to review the message by pushing a key and changing it if needed. To receive a message, the owners dial into their mailboxes, identify themselves as the users and then dial a four-digit security code.

"On the average they say it takes five phone calls and 30 minutes of conversation to receive or give 20 seconds worth of useful information," Sherry said. He says this will eliminate "telephone tag."

Computers are growing in the business world and Sherry said this is another way for students to be computer literate.

"With all the benefits of an electronic campus, and all the data-accessing experience, they are going to be comfortable."

## Arson suspected in fire

Last Thursday two emergency situations, occurring only minutes apart, transformed a tranquil evening at Northwest into one of frenzied activity.

At approximately 10:16 p.m. Campus Safety received a call from Troy Ohelertz, the head resident assistant at North Complex, reporting that a woman was experiencing difficulty breathing.

An ambulance arrived shortly after this and administered oxygen to the student in order to regulate her breathing.

As a precaution, the student was taken to St. Francis Hospital for further examination.

Adding to the confusion, at approximately 10:29 p.m., were reports of an explosion and fire that had erupted northwest of Millikan Hall.

"The first thing I thought was somebody was shot," Chris Turpin, a Phillips Hall resident assis-

tant said. Turpin called campus safety and, along with another Phillips R.A., went to regulate the crowd gathering at the fire.

Initially there was some confusion as to what had occurred. Rumors spread that a car had exploded in the Dieterich Hall parking lot. The material on fire turned out to be a scrap pile created by the remnants of a shed that was torn down earlier that afternoon.

Dave Lin of Maryville Public Safety said that because the fire was suspicious in nature it has been determined to be arson. However, since the blaze did not occur within the city limits, no criminal investigation will be conducted.

Campus Safety officials would encourage anyone with information concerning the incident to contact them. Confidentiality will be respected.

## Variety show expands to accommodate crowds

by Traci Todd  
Assistant News Editor

The Variety Show will kick off the Homecoming activities on Oct. 17. The show will run for three nights, starting at 7 p.m. on Oct. 17 and 18, and at 7:30 p.m. on Oct. 19 in the Mary Linn Performing Arts Center.

Sixteen acts, eight skits and eight olio acts are on the program. All skits will relate to the Homecoming theme "One for the books."

The skits will be competing for prize money and homecoming points within sorority, fraternity and independent divisions. The second annual Bobby awards will be given to the Best Actor and Actress of the skits.

Limited tickets are still available for all three nights from 8 a.m. to 4:30 p.m. at the Student Services Center on the first floor of the Administration Building.

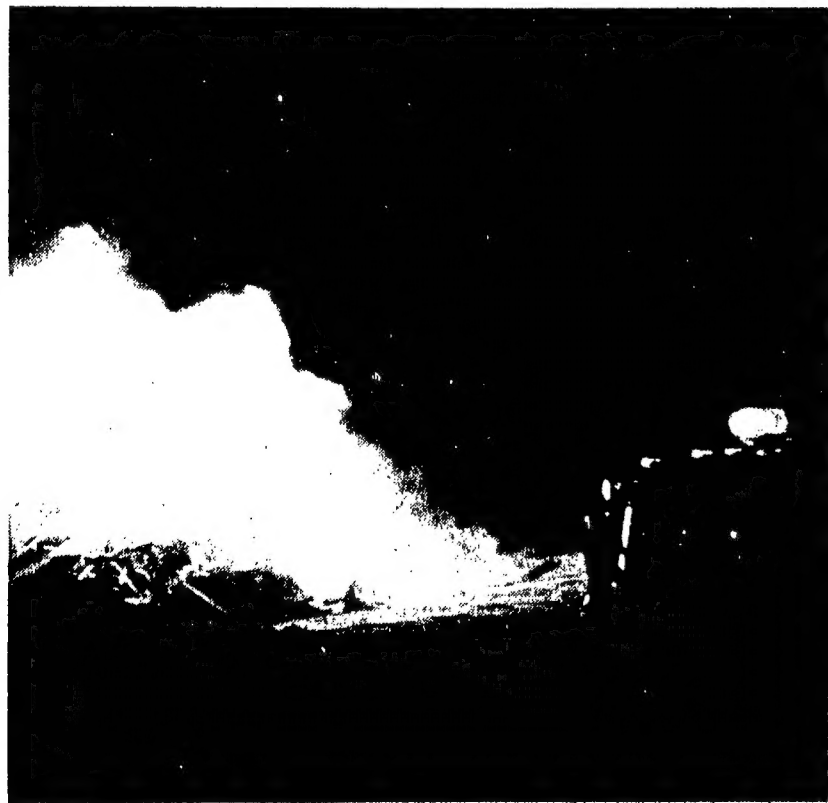
Tickets are \$2 per person, and will go on sale at 6 p.m. evenings of the show.

This year's emcees will be Jean Jones and Shawn Wake.

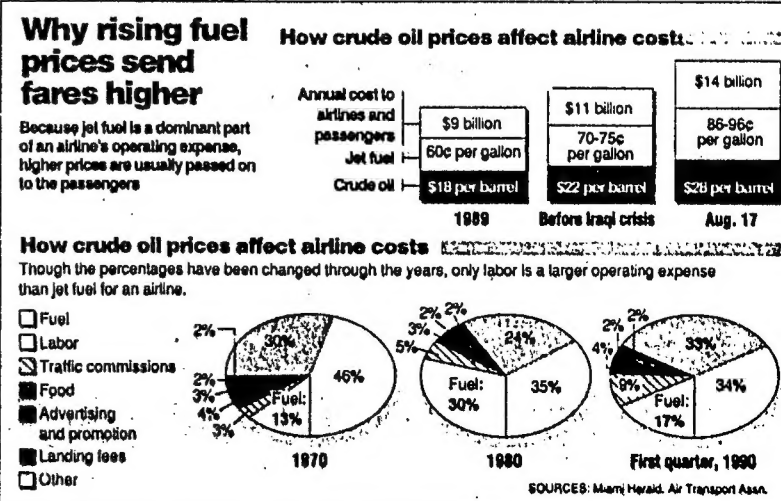
The ten finalists for Homecoming Queen and King were announced Monday. They are Susie Beach, Delta Chi; Andrea Bodenhansen, Chi Phi Chi; Elisabeth Crawford, Phi Mu Alpha; Leanne Hagan, Sigma Sigma Sigma; Julie Wilmoth, Tau Kappa Epsilon; Riaz Amin, International Student Organization; Steve Anderson, Sigma Tau Gamma; Garrick Baxter, ROTC; Rocco Bene, Delta Chi and Tom Vansaghi, Phi Mu.

The student body will elect the Queen and King on Oct. 16. Elections will be held at the Information Desk in the Student Union.

The Queen and King will be crowned at the end of the Variety Show on Oct 18.



BURNING DOWN THE HOUSE—Maryville Fire Department answers the call to a fire last Thursday night north of Millikan Hall. (Photo by Todd Weddle)





## OUR VIEW

Bush's budget  
action blasted

Our founding fathers would turn over in their graves at President Bush's latest budget move.

The president shut down all needless operations Sunday when he vetoed a measure by Congress to keep spending at full levels in the absence of a budget agreement.

The veto did not come as much of a surprise, but the government needs to evaluate what are needless spending operations. When it comes to working on a budget with problems, one would think the money makers would be seen as useful spending.

President Bush did not seem to see it that way. Maybe that is why America is trillions of dollars in debt.

Among the operations shut down were the Statue of Liberty, the symbol of our freedom and all that we have fought for as a nation, the Gateway Arch and Stone Mountain.

These operations might not have been needed ones, but they are some of the few things under government control that make money instead of spend it.

Congress does a great job of voting in their pay increases during the appropriated time each year. Maybe the president would have been better off declaring that Congress was a needless expense until the budget problem was solved.

Let the overpaid folks in the House and Senate work on the budget with no pay for a few days and see how much work gets done. The budget problems happen every year and there is really no excuse for it. What are we paying these people for anyway?

The Senate voted Monday to appropriate enough money to extend government operations for 11 days. President Bush agreed to sign the bill, which has already been sent to the House.

There is nothing like taking the band-aid approach to solving the nation's problems. It is sort of like covering the holes in a passenger cruise ship with scotch tape. It might last for a little while, but it will be a lot harder to patch the second time.



## More than fun and games



STROLLER

Well, they've done it again. The students at this fine institution are at this very moment showing what they are made of. The Homecoming scramble is on, and everyone is trying their best to cope with newly found commitments and activities.

First of all, to those of you working on floats, you are to be commended. It takes more than a mere few hours to get a quality job done and you certainly don't have the convenience of being able to study while working.

I think everyone must realize how much time is spent by each individual just for the sake of representing their group in a positive way.

Also, there is the element of money that is spent on preparing floats, clowns and jalopies for the

parade. Considering how good the floats look each year, you know they don't come cheap.

Sure, in high school you could put an average float together for \$12.95 if you bargain shopped, but I think you'll agree that Northwest has some of the biggest and nicest floats around.

Floats aren't the only things that students devote time to. Think of all the time devoted to writing skits for the variety show, house decorations, broadcast operations, advertising, promotion, marching band and football and cheerleading practices.

Homework takes a back seat during these pre-Homecoming weeks. Try explaining to your parents that you are here simply to devote your heart to your

extra-curricular group and try to attend class in your free time (that is if you don't fall asleep - because that's the only time you have to yourself.)

I'm not sure if there is an answer to this problem or not, and I guess you could look at it as there have been an awful lot of students who have fallen prey to Homecoming lunacy and survived, but that doesn't mean I can't at least look at some options.

First of all, I think that the professors should allow these students to bring pillows to class. Hey, there have been many studies on how much one can absorb if they just bring their bodies to class.

This way, you're not really be-

ing a slider if you can make it there on time, plus at least it would guarantee you a nap.

Second, there should be a Homecoming appreciation party for the whole campus. I know there are lots of appreciation parties going on during Homecoming, but most of those are in appreciation of beer or in appreciation of the fact that there are traditionally lots of parties that weekend.

What I mean is a party where everyone who devoted lots of time to Homecoming could attend and be waited on hand and foot. A party where everyone was forced to observe the time and effort put forth. I know lots of students who would deserve an engraved invitation.



## LETTERS

## Freshman receives suggestions

## Letter prompts response from student body

To Becky Jo Baumker,  
Care of the editor of  
the Northwest Missourian

It was recently brought to the attention of the student body the extreme dissatisfaction of one student. Several reasons for the unhappiness were revealed: classes were not seen as challenging enough, student focus was not on academics, but rather on "partying," unable to meet individual needs for social interaction and a general disillusionment by the school overall.

As a graduate student at Northwest, I empathize in your frustration with some students' lack of commitment to academics. There may have been many times that I have become extremely aggravated by many students' deference to what I feel to be the overriding importance of college life -- gaining an enlightening an education as possible. It is not my intention to "preach," but you may try to view college life through a more tolerant perspective. At a state institution such as Northwest, many students are given the opportunity to succeed in college which might not otherwise be available to them. Academics, while extremely important in the total goal of college, are really only one aspect of the overall experience.

Perhaps your dissatisfaction has clouded your ability to note the positive attributes of this school. It has been my observation that the faculty at Northwest are very good at attempting to gear courses to the personal needs of the students. If you are unhappy with the level of difficulty of a particular course, discuss it with your professor. I am sure they would view a student as yourself, who wants more out of a course, with an at-

titude of optimism, rather than as a threat, so long as you handle yourself in a respectful, "nonoffensive" manner.

While I empathize in your frequent frustration at the lack of commitment in some students toward their studies, my question to you is "what have you gained by alienating yourself toward the entire student body at Northwest?" Your accusations toward these noncommitted individuals not only met with animosity from these students, but aggravated the entire student body as a whole.

Many students at this school, such as myself, feel insulted by your extremely self-centered attitude about the overall emphasis of this institution. There are a great number of people at this school who not only focus on the importance of academics, but also realize the significance of social interaction. Being socially active and academically successful are not mutually exclusive pursuits. While you apparently have the academics covered, you may exercise more tolerance regarding differing behaviors from your own in the social area.

Expectations for college are frequently not met immediately, but take time to develop to their full potential. Perhaps a bit of patience on your own part might allow you to gain the overall satisfaction which you desire. Considering that we have only been in school for a relatively short time, it is not surprising that you are not totally "elated" about life at Northwest.

Instead of criticizing others for your lack of happiness, you may be a bit more open-minded. At this point your dissatisfaction with this school is not "our" problem, but rather "your" problem. Give this institution a

chance before you begin "casting stones" from what appears to be merely "sour grapes" on your behalf.

Sincerely,  
Eric Sackett  
Graduate Student

Ms. Baumker,

As I am sure you are aware by now, your letter has offended many students, like myself, who are very happy with Northwest (and I scored...well, at least as high on the ACT as you). Perhaps since you haven't been here long you aren't aware of what we have to offer.

Certainly other schools, MU or Iowa, have broader course offerings but how many of your classes there would be taught by graduate assistants? Northwest's size offers you the opportunity to get to know your professors on a personal basis. Class sizes here are small enough to allow you to be recognized by name not by number. At Northwest you have easy access to professors and administrators who, from my experience, are more than willing to talk to you.

Student organizations and clubs provide unlimited opportunities for you to share your knowledge and learn from others. Organizations like Student Senate and Residence Hall Association give you the opportunity to have a real influence on the policies and decisions of the institution.

You say you are considering going somewhere else next semester, and I assume that means a school with more students with ACT scores like yours. I believe placing too much emphasis on a standardized test score is not a good idea. One should keep in mind a few items when comparing these test scores.

These tests don't measure one's life experiences, one's desire to help others, or most importantly, one's desire to learn. One's high test scores don't make them a non-partier, a good student or even an interesting person.

I am certain that throughout my years at Northwest I have learned much more from people who scored lower than 27 on the ACT than I have learned from those who have scored as well or better than I did. The world would be a boring, monotonous place if everyone scored 27.

Leon Sequeira  
233 Phillips Hall

To the Administration and Miss Baumker,

I am writing in response to the letter written by Miss Baumker. I felt the statements she made in her letter were completely unjustified. Being in a small community such as Maryville alone limits the amount of activities for students to engage in. Northwest is an accredited college. The classes students take here are real classes which can get a real degree. I believe that this alone proves this school's students don't base their lives on parties. Maybe your being a minority, ACT 27, makes you feel you are above other students here at Northwest, placing yourself on a pedestal above the rest of the student body.

The parties, I feel, aren't from first freedom felt by freshmen. In fact, I think that more of the people at most of the parties are upper classmen. Here in Maryville, parties are an excellent way to meet people and socialize.

This school's professors do not change the way they grade on the basis of whether a student parties or not. A student will fail if the required work is not com-

pleted regardless of whether the student went to a party the night before or not.

I feel that your judgments toward Northwest are a tad bit prejudice. There are still many activities for people not inclined

to attend parties. Stereotyping an entire university is a strong accusation few would be willing to make.

Sincerely,  
Darrick Turner  
freshman



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## Faculty member honored; Bush receives nomination

by Laura Pierson  
Managing Editor

Dr. Betty Bush, associate professor of curriculum and instruction, has been nominated as Northwest's candidate for the national award of "Outstanding Freshman Advocate."

The nomination was submitted by Dr. Robert Culbertson, vice president for Academic Affairs, to the director of the National Center for the Study of the Freshman Year Experience and the Freshman Year Experience Conference.

The field of nominees will be narrowed down to 10 finalists, who will be honored during a ceremony at the National Conference on the Freshman Year Experience, Feb. 22-26, in Columbia, S.C.

In his letter of nomination Culbertson wrote, "She emphasizes the importance of faculty commitment to student needs; the importance of bonding students to the university through positive faculty-student interaction; and the need for every component in the university structure to be sensitive to student needs."

Bush was honored with the nomination but was quick to point out that many others also worked to get the Freshman Seminar program off the ground.

"This nomination is very nice in that it calls attention to the fact that Northwest is concerned about students," Bush said. "The nomination represents a lot of people. My name just happened to be the one nominated, but in no way does it mean the other people do not share that nomination, because they do."

"This nomination is not for the program as much as it is for advocacy," she continued, "the fact that the university is student-oriented and is concerned about freshmen."

Bush has been a full-time faculty member of Northwest since 1983. She completed both her undergraduate and master's degrees at Northwest. Her doctorate was earned at the University of Missouri-Kansas City.

She served as director for Northwest's Freshman Seminar program from 1986-1989.

Bush said the concept for the Freshman Seminar came when a committee formed to identify



Dr. Betty Bush

needs to be met for incoming freshmen. The committee was composed of Northwest faculty members Dr. Roy Leeper and Dr. Patt VanDyke and former faculty members Bill Dizney, Dr. Phil Hayes and Dale Montague.

"We saw freshmen coming in not knowing about the institution and taking approximately a block to get their feet on the ground and running," Bush explained. "We felt we could help make the transition from high school to college a little more productive and, of course, maintain students' capability to stay here."

While under her direction, the Freshman Seminar program grew into an extended orientation including peer advisors, a faculty training program for those teaching Freshman Seminar and a faculty handbook with teaching materials for the Freshman Seminar.

She emphasizes that other faculty members as well as the Admissions Office, Registrar's Office, Support Staff, B.D. Owens Library, ARA and Student Services helped to expand the program and make it a success.

"If there is any one thing I am proud of, it's the fact that I contributed in some small way to student advocacy," Bush said.

Bush stepped down as director of the program last year due to her heavy student advisory load. She plans to return to teaching a freshman seminar class in the future.

## Club works to beautify the university

by Jane Waske  
Staff Writer

Members of Northwest's Horticulture Club are developing plans to beautify the University.

The Horticulture Club, in conjunction with Environmental Services, Environmental Affairs and Student Senate, is sponsoring the first "Adopt-A-Bed" competition in April.

The "Adopt-A-Bed" competition allows organizations recognized by Student Senate to adopt a flower bed on campus in their name. For \$5, these organizations can create their own design or have their choice of flower beds designed by Horticulture Club members, with a sign in the bed recognizing the organization.

In adopting a bed, the organization becomes responsible for the planting and general upkeep of the flower bed arrangement, such as weeding, from April to October. Environmental Services



TIPTOE THROUGH THE TULIPS—Tending to their adopted flower bed, horticulture students Kevin Keilig, John Kilpatrick and Vickie Lefevre care for the flowers in front of Colden Hall. (Photo by Melinda Dodge)

will water the beds.

Although the organizations have the opportunity to choose from a pre-designed bed or make their own design, creativity is encouraged. Judgment will be based on the uniqueness of design, uniformity and the upkeep and quality of the flowers.

Judging will be held in September with the top three places

receiving prizes. First and second place finishes will receive a plaque and a cash prize with the amount depending on the percentage of funds available. Third place will also receive a plaque.

According to Horticulture Club member Kevin Keilig, the "Adopt-A-Bed" program will be advantageous to everyone involved.

"It will be good for members to gain experience in designing. They will also gain knowledge in different types of plants," said Keilig. "It will also benefit the campus because it will look better."

The Club will begin notifying all organizations in January with promotional letters, radio and TV spots.

## First aid preparedness

# RAs trained to handle dorm emergencies

by Tonya Reser  
Staff Writer

The Residence Hall directors arrived on campus Aug. 1 for their three week training.

The staff training lasted until freshmen arrived on Aug. 13.

The training is used to help the RAs and other staff with dealing with the various situations they could possibly face in the upcoming school semester, according to Robbie Mack, Residential Life Coordinator-Personnel Services.



TELL ME ABOUT IT—Richardson Hall Resident Assistant Annette Filippi talks with a student on her floor. The duties of an RA are larger than expected and often include counseling. (Photo by Scott Jensen)

Training actually starts during the previous spring semester. The upcoming RAs do rounds and get acquainted with the physical aspect of the campus so they see what is in store for the next year, according to Mack.

Cardio Pulmonary Resuscitation is not part of the program yet, but next year's training should have it to offer RAs that are not familiar with the procedure. Director of Health Services Mary Strong will be performing the CPR sessions along with the recertification sessions.

The counseling sessions during the training includes sharpening listening skills, practicing communication skills and learning how to play the role of counselor to the residents on their floors.

They also cover who to contact in a certain emergency situation and how to perform first aid. Strong gave demonstrations to some of the trainees.

"We tried to cover some situations that the RAs might encounter

on campus such as alcohol overdose, burns, cuts and general first aid," said Strong.

Each hall has a first aid box which the RAs can help the students with. The Student Health Services restocks the boxes as needed.

"The key of having a successful year is to keep the communication lines open. We ask what areas they need better training in and work with them to help them become better staff members," said Mack.

The entire screening for RAs takes about three to four weeks. All applicants must meet minimum requirements which include a 2.5 cumulative grade point average. They must have lived in the residence halls for at least one year, be organized and have leadership ability. All are required to apply and go through the interview process.

"The process of training never ends. It continues throughout the entire semester," said Mack.

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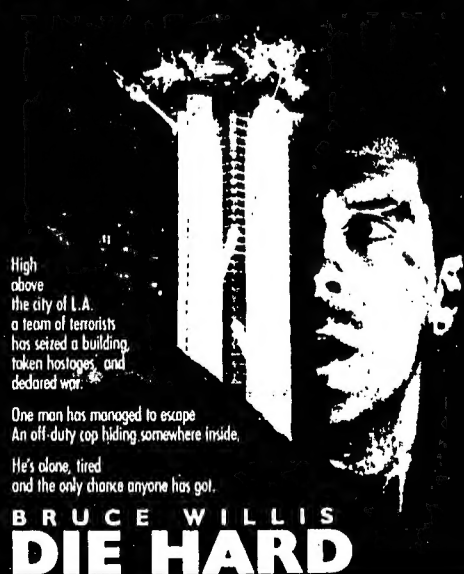


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### Wind Symphony opens season

Al Sergel, assistant professor of music and director of Northwest Missouri State University's Wind Symphony, has announced the names of students who are members of that select musical group.

The Wind Symphony will open its concert season at 7 p.m., Oct. 13 at the Mary Linn Performing Arts Center, when it performs during the department of music's Gala Benefit.

### Fall Career Day planned for next week

Fall Career Day will be held from 10 a.m. to noon and 1 p.m. to 3 p.m. on Oct. 16 in the Union Ballroom. The event is sponsored by the Office of Career Services.

Personnel officers from various government agencies and businesses will be there to answer questions.

For more information, contact the Office of Career Services at 562-1250.

### PRSSA celebrates 10 years

Members of Northwest's Public Relations Student Society of America chapter are celebrating their 10th year on campus as a nationally recognized organization. The celebration will be at 4:30 p.m. on Oct. 15 in the lobby of Wells Hall.

PRSSA signed their charter on Oct. 15, 1980. Since the signing of the charter, the group has tripled in membership size.

### Wieder has article published

Dr. Edward Wieder, associate professor of economics, has had an article published in The Journal of Economics and Finance.

The article, "The Simultaneous Production Function of Student Achievement and Attitude in Principles of Microeconomics," identified important relationships which can result in greater student achievement and more favorable attitudes in economics.



Dr. Edward Wieder

### Northwest observes Fire Safety Week

Northwest is joining with industries in Maryville to observe National Fire Safety Week, Oct. 7-13. The University is providing the opportunity for employees to make their homes safer by installing smoke alarms or adding new ones at a reduced cost.

### Community wide clean-up to be held

A community-wide "Fall Cleanup" will take place Oct. 15-18. The clean-up is being sponsored by the city of Maryville and the Maryville Chamber of Commerce.

Trash pick up will start at 8 a.m. each day at different locations in town.

All trash must be in containers that can be lifted by one man. Loose trash will not be collected.

### Testing dates announced

The Graduate Management Council (GMAC) has announced testing dates for the Graduate Management Admission Test (GMAT), used by about 1,000 graduate schools of management as one predictor of academic performance.

Information on registration procedures and deadlines, fees and test center locations is available in the GMAT Bulletin of Information for 1990-91.

### Sigma Delta Chi announces meetings

Sigma Delta Chi, the Society of Professional Journalists, will be holding its meetings at 3:30 every Tuesday in the basement lounge of Wells Hall.

To be a member, a student must be involved in some aspect of journalism, as according to the SPJ guidelines, and in good academic standing.

### Laurel Review author receives award

The Laurel Review recently received new evidence of its placing among literary magazines of national significance.

According to Dr. Craig Goad, assistant professor of English and one of the editors of the magazine, a story originally published in The Laurel Review won a Pushcart Prize for 1990-91. The story, "My Lord Bag of Rice" by Carol Bly, was among those selected for the 15th anniversary edition of The Best of The Small Presses.

This year's Pushcart Prize volume contains another Maryville connection in its publication of the poem, "Cambrian Night" by James Solheim, a Northwest and Maryville High School Graduate.

### McLaughlin presents paper

Dr. David McLaughlin, associate professor of government, recently presented a paper at the 10th annual Working with Families Conference at Kansas State University in Manhattan.

The paper, "Children at Risk: A Community Network," examined how the Maryville community pooled its resources and focused them on its children at risk.

### FFA workshop and contest to be held

Dr. Marvin Hoskey, assistant professor of agriculture and contest director, has announced the annual Fall FFA Contest and Workshop for area high school students from the four-state region to be held on Oct. 16 at Northwest.

The event is being held the same day as Northwest's Office of Career Services' "Career Day" on campus.

Hoskey expects at least 600 students from 35 area high schools in Iowa, Nebraska, Kansas and Missouri to participate in the contest.

### Mull to make presentations

Sandra Mull, assistant professor of health, physical education, recreation and dance at Northwest, will make two presentations at the upcoming State Missouri Association of Health, Physical Education, Recreation and Dance meeting.

The meeting will be held November 1-2 at the Lodge of Four Seasons in Lake of the Ozarks.

### Epsilon Gamma looking for books

The Epsilon Gamma chapter of Sigma Tau Delta, the English Honor Society, is looking for old or used books for its book sale to be held in November. Anyone wishing to donate books can bring them to the English department, 116 Colden Hall.

### Auffer is working with recyclers

Wanda Auffer, director of purchasing, is currently working with potential paper and cardboard recyclers.

Northwest lost its recycling source and must seek other alternatives.

The State Department for Purchasing is attempting to establish contracts for state agencies through which to market their recycled paper and cardboard.



Wanda Auffer

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## Mizzou robbed on fifth down



**Sports  
Geneous**

by Gene Morris  
Sports Editor

How many downs are there in football? One, two, three, four or even five if you have a chance of losing to the Tigers.

The Missouri Tigers football team defeated the Colorado Buffaloes Saturday afternoon. That is all there is to it.

The 12th ranked Buffaloes could not beat the Tigers with four downs and were even stopped when given a fifth down. Quarterback Charles Johnson scored on a fifth and goal play from the one. He appeared to be stopped shy of the goal line, but one of the referees signaled a touchdown.

Whether it was a touchdown or not has nothing to do with it anyway. How can you win the game on a fifth down? You could in your imagination, unless the field is covered with some pretty sad officials.

There is always a lot of talk about testing the athletes for drug use. After the game these men in stripes had, I think they should get checked for drugs, too.

The officials have to go through some intense training to make it to the college ranks. I would hope they could at least count to four. They even have five fingers to help them with that.

It would be different if the game came down to a judgement call on a close play in the endzone, but when it comes down to having trouble counting to four there is a problem.

I thought it was funny that the Colorado team couldn't seem to remember what plays they ran during their final series. Even the coach said he couldn't remember. All he knew is that they won the game.

The coach has to know what the team did. He has to be aware of how many plays his team is running or he doesn't deserve to be on the sideline.

The person to blame though has to be the side judge, who is responsible for keeping track of the downs.

I think the kind citizens of Missouri should send this man one of those adding machines that talks for Christmas. He sure could use one.

I wonder what the odds are against the side judge having a degree in mathematics. Probably at least a billion to one or something relatively small like that.

The officials couldn't come out and admit they made a mistake. They had to take the easy way out and let the Tigers' hard-fought football game end with a frustrating loss.

Everyone in the world knows the Tigers won the game, but that isn't much consolation. The guys played their best game of the year only to have it taken from them on fifth down.

The NCAA has suspended all seven of the officials who worked the game Saturday. Maybe they will all be sent to vocational mathematics rehab or something like that.

Missouri Tiger fans can only hope.

## 'Cats declawed for loss

by Jason Bruhn  
Staff Writer

The Pittsburg State Gorillas scored 21 points during the first quarter to secure their 51st straight conference victory.

The Bearcats came back during the second quarter of the game with two quick touchdowns. Quarterback Jeremy Wilson ran the ball in from the nine.

Adam McNary intercepted a pass to set up the Bearcats' next touchdown. Wilson ran the ball in from the six-yard line for the score. The two touchdowns brought the Bearcats within seven points, (21-14).

It would turn out to be all of the scoring by Northwest. On the ensuing kickoff, Pittsburg wide receiver Ronnie West caught the ball in his own endzone and went coast to coast for a rare 100 yard return for a touchdown.

The Bearcats have been having trouble all season with their consistency and the players can feel it.

"At times we played well as a team," Wilson said, "But we would have one or two guys make a mistake and have some setbacks."

The Gorillas added a field goal to end the first half with a 31-14 lead heading into the locker room.



CAUGHT IN THE CROSSFIRE—In an attempt to gain yardage, Bearcat Ryan Ellis gets caught up by two Pittsburg State Gorillas. Northwest's record slipped to 1-5. (Photo by Don Carrick)

Pittsburg came out gunning in the second half with West hauling in a 74-yard touchdown pass for his second score of the game.

The junior wide receiver caught another touchdown pass for 34 yards and finished the game with 298 total yards. He

had 136 receiving and 162 returning kickoffs and punts.

The loss Saturday dropped the Bearcats to 1-5 on the season, but it also marked the end of the toughest part of the schedule, according to linebacker Adam McNary.

"Next week is the beginning of our new season," he said. "We expect to go undefeated from here on out."

"We have to play better to try to get more respect," he said. "Teams are waiting to knock us off."

## String of serves lifts 'Kittens to victory

by Gene Morris  
Sports Editor

Annette Brugmann served 14 consecutive points during the Bearkittens' fifth set against Missouri Western Wednesday night.

The Bearkittens lost the first set 15-13, but rallied to win the second one 15-8. They lost the third set 15-8 and battled back one more time with a 15-13 win, sending the match into a fifth and final set.

Missouri Western took a 5-0 lead in the fifth set, when Brugmann took over. It all happened so fast, she said she did not

even realize what she had done until the match was over.

Brugmann served for 14 straight points and the Bearkittens went on to win the match with a 15-5 comeback in the final set.

"I didn't really realize I was doing it," Brugmann said after the contest. "You just keep going. My mother said something about it after the game, but I didn't really realize I was doing it."

Brugmann, who was named the MIAA Defensive Player of the Week, had two aces during her run of straight serves. She

also led the Bearkittens with 20 digs in the match.

Brugmann took control of things on the court for the Bearkittens, according to coach Peggy Voisin.

"She played good defense and served practically the whole set," Voisin said. "She did some nice things out there for us tonight."

The win moves the Bearkittens record to 13-11. This is the first time in five years the team has been above the .500 mark this late in the season.

The Bearkittens will play Missouri Western in the MIAA

Round Robin Oct. 19. The win Wednesday night will give the Bearkittens and emotional boost, according to Voisin.

"It (the win) does a lot for our confidence," she said. "We just have to keep being tough."

Kathy Lauher led the Bearkittens in kills with 18 while Jennifer Hepburn led in assists with 24.

Brugmann was not the only Bearkitten server with a hot hand on the night. Rhonda McDonald served for eight consecutive points during the fourth set of the contest.

## Football Forecasts

Sunday	Gene Morris Sports Editor	Joe Bowersox Sports Writer	Tom Kruse Football Grad Asst.
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Monday			
Vikings at Eagles	Vikings	Eagles	Eagles
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## Meet disappointing for Bearkittens' coach

by Joe Bowersox  
Staff Writer

The Bearkitten cross country team ran a disappointing race last weekend, according to coach Charlene Cline.

The Bearkittens finished 6th at the Southwest Missouri State Invitational. Northwest was lead by senior Kim O'Riley who finished 30th in 20:31.

Following in 31st place was teammate Sherry Messner, who ran the course in 20:34.

Other Bearkitten finishers were Rheba Eustice (34th), Tina Ross (39th) and Diana Jensen (48th).

"We didn't run well," commented Cline. "We weren't

mentally prepared to run, and the kids know that."

Messner has been hampered by a cold, and missed two practices this week. "I wasn't feeling that great," Messner said.

Messner said she was not happy with the way the team ran.

"We weren't running at what we should have been," Messner said. "We didn't run to potential."

Two weeks ago at the Johnson County Invitational, the Bearkittens had four under the 20 minute mark. This week no runner climbed under the 20 minute mark.

"I know I can run a lot better if I'm healthy," said Messner.

Even though this wasn't one of the best performances of the season, Cline is very optimistic about her team.

"There doing very well," said Cline. "Thank God it happened before the conference meet."

Cline believes that the team has seen some tough teams this season.

"We will see more tough competition at the conference meet," said Cline.

"Three schools in our conference have kids that are phenomenal," Cline said. "If we run the best we can, we can finish 4th in the conference."

The Bearkittens and Bearcats will enjoy a home meet this Saturday at the 1990 Northwest

**"We weren't mentally prepared to run, and the kids know it."**

**-Charlene Cline  
Bearkitten  
cross country coach**

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"Home meets are fun. It will be nice not traveling because that tires the runners," Cline said.  
The meet will be held Saturday morning at Nodaway Lake.

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# NORTHWEST CAMPUS LIFE

## BASEBALL

### World Series reminisced

by Don Carrick

Staff Writer

When the leaves turn brown, the air chills, and the first hint of winter is on the horizon, a young man's fancy turns to... football! No, that's not it....girls? No, wait, I've got the subject right here in my pocket....oh yeah, the World Series.

The World Series, it's when the "boys of summer" start losing their tans and begin thinking about which hometown car dealerships they're going to plug. Let's face it folks, these guys aren't exactly "boys" either. George Brett is pushing what, 50? Maybe 60? And he just won the American League batting title! I'm beginning to think these guys bathe in Ben Gay.

The money they make is astronomical! Most of these guys are making more money than the president of the United States. This is not to say that they couldn't do a better job than George "thousand points of light, going through my ears" Bush. I personally believe Dan Quayle would make a great bat boy, and you wouldn't even need a costume to turn Barbara Bush into a mascot, (I just love this political humor stuff!) but don't you think it's a bit much to pay a guy millions of dollars to spit and grab himself?

But I digressed, let's get back to the business at hand. I know a lot of people are upset because the Royals didn't make it this year, but think about it this way, with the problems we had last year with natural disasters and sports, and the rumors that have been flying around about St. Louis turning into beach front property sometime soon, aren't we all better off having the game somewhere else? I can just hear the announcer now...

"Here we are in beautiful Royals stadium, the weather is a balmy 23 degrees, and we're just about to throw out the first ball. Here's the first pitch and, oh my God, the pitcher just fell into a crevice in the earth! The ground is shaking apart, there goes half of the outfield into a sinkhole! The groundskeepers are rolling a tarp over the field, and there goes the tarp...and the groundskeepers! The parking lot has turned into a canyon of twisted metal and broken glass, it will probably be much easier to get out of now. Oh the anguish, oh the despair, and it was ball cap day too! By the way, this earthquake was brought to you by God, the first guy to bring you pure mountain spring water, before anyone at Anheiser-Busch even knew about it. We'll take time out here for a commercial break for Ballpark Wieners..."

It would probably be better if the series was played in San Francisco less chance of an earthquake.

I really have a hard time getting into the series since my hometown team isn't playing. See, I'm originally from Cleveland.

OK, go ahead and laugh, I know you want to. The Indians haven't seen a World Series since the ice flows retreated, and the first person who would admit that to you is someone from Cleveland. My grandfather sits in front of the TV just to tell them what bums they are. He's got two unused tickets to the 1948 World Series, Cleveland vs. Boston Braves, and I keep telling him to send them back for a refund.

At one time there was a threat of the Indians leaving Cleveland. If that ever happened Cleveland would cease to exist. Clevelanders would have nothing to complain about, factories would halt production, and soon people would begin leaving the city in droves. Whoever picked up the team would soon find themselves swamped with ashen-faced new residents, yearning to whine about how the Indians only win when they play cards on the team bus.

But again I digressed, what was I supposed to be writing about? I had it here in my pocket somewhere....

Oh, well.

### Pennant race begins for National League

by Gene Morris

Sports Editor

The squirrels are busy preparing for winter while the rest of us are getting out that extra blanket. It could only mean one thing, it must be fall and that means the World Series.

The Oakland Athletics will represent the American League while the National League could be slated by either the Cincinnati Reds or the Pittsburgh Pirates.

The Athletics have to be considered the favorite in the World Series. They have the best three-man rotation in the playoffs with Dave Stewart, Bob Welch and Scott Sanderson or Mike Moore. Stewart and Welch have combined for a 49-17 record.

Then you have to look into that Oakland bullpen in the late innings and it doesn't get much brighter. The Athletics have a converted starter shutting the door for them. Dennis Eckersley has 48 saves. He also allows less than one run for every nine innings pitched.

Good pitching always beats good hitting and the Athletics have the best pitching in the game today. Unfortunately for those who face the Athletics, Oakland has a powerful offensive punch as well. The Athletics have three play-

ers with 20 or more homers. Rickey Henderson hit 28, Jose Canseco belted 37 and Mark McGwire had 39 dingers.

The Athletics' team batting average is the third lowest in the American League, but when they hit them they are going, going and gone. The Athletics have hit 164 homers. They are third in the American League in that category.

The National League should be represented by the Reds. They have the best bullpen and a lot of the playoff games end up being decided in the final innings.

The Reds' bullpen may very well be the best ever assembled. They aren't called the nasty boys in Cincinnati for nothing.

They have Rob "Don't Hit Me" Dibble. He has 11 saves with an ERA of 1.74. He also averages more than one strikeout per inning. He is not the only man in the Reds' relief core like that.

Norm Charlton and Randy Myers also average more than one strikeout per inning. Charlton has two saves and 12 wins out of the pen. He also has an ERA of 2.70. Meyers leads the crew in saves with 31. He also has an ERA of 2.08.

The Reds' starting rotation leaves a lot to be desired. But they got into the playoffs. Jose Rijo is the ace of the staff with 14 wins and an ERA of 3.42.

The rest of the rotation is filled by Tom Browning and Jack Arm-

strong with 20 or more homers. Rickey Henderson hit 28, Jose Canseco belted 37 and Mark McGwire had 39 dingers.

ers with 20 or more homers. Rickey Henderson hit 28, Jose Canseco belted 37 and Mark McGwire had 39 dingers.

They also have the highest team batting average in the National League with a .265 mark. Their bats were cooled off in the playoffs, but wins are still wins.

The Reds are a throwback to the "Big Red Machine" of the '70s. Chris Sabo is almost like having Pete Rose out there. Sabo is the same scrappy kind of player Rose was. He also comes across as kind of a dirty player, because of his desire to win.

The Athletics will have their hands full against the Reds. I actually think the Reds will win this thing. If the World Series comes down to who has the best bullpen, the Reds are really the favorite.

The Reds in six. Yeah, that's the ticket.

Someone has to cool the Athletics off. They might just go into the World Series a little bit too confident. Both teams are very strong or they would not be where they are, but I think the Reds want it more.

The Reds have not won the World Series since 1976 and I think they are a little overdo. This just might be their year.

## Game Schedule Upcoming Playoff and Series games

### Playoffs

#### American League

Oakland Athletics 4-0

#### National League

Cincinnati Reds 3

Pittsburgh Pirates 2

### World Series

Oct. 16 Athletics at NL 7:32 p.m.

17 Athletics at NL 7:29 p.m.

#### Friday

Pirates at Reds 7:27 p.m.

#### Saturday (if necessary)

Pirates at Reds 7:27 p.m.

Oct. 19 NL at Athletics 7:32 p.m.

20 NL at Athletics 7:29 p.m.

21 NL at Athletics 7:29 p.m.

23 Athletics at NL 7:29 p.m.

24 Athletics at NL 7:29 p.m.





Joe And Stu Want One Thing.... To Watch The Game!

## Jose Canseco replaces scheduled Knots Landing

by Kathy Barnes  
Assistant Features Editor

"T his just can't be," I said shaking my head in disbelief. There must have been some kind of mistake.

I had just settled down on the couch in front of the boob tube with all the necessities at hand: Coke, popcorn, and my favorite blanket...oh, and the phone nearby in case of some unforeseen emergency on television (I'd hate to have to get up). The remote was just out of reach, already locked into the proper channel and volume.

That's when it happened. That's when the announcer spoke those heart-wrenching words, "Knots Landing will not be seen tonight so that we can bring you the following sports exclusive."

At that moment, my Thursday-night world came crashing down on me. I had scheduled my day, not to mention my life for the past umpteen years, around this one evening, this one show, my show, Knots Landing.

I grabbed the phone in utter horror, numbers of friends I could call for solace went racing through my head, and as I was about to chuck the phone at the wall in anger, something caught my eye. It was small and symmetrical and oh so

perky.

This might not be so bad after all, I thought.

The back of his shirt said Canseco, and I knew at that moment he was the one I'd been yearning for all my life.

My heart had synchronized with every step he took. I wanted to run my fingers through his dark, flowing hair, and brush the dirt off his uniform. He was big and handsome, and I could see the muscles rippling beneath his shirt.

Golly, I better pinch myself.

I thought the Mr. America contest was in the spring, and I thought it was on cable.

My eyes scanned the screen and to my surprise there were 17 comparable hunks. What was it the announcer called this? Oh yea, the Canseco Series... I mean the World Series (what was I thinking).

Now I guess I HAVE to watch these guys punish that cute little white ball by trying to hit it as far as they can, run around that square thing as fast as they can, and fall in the dirt as often as they can. All this in little, skin-tight suits.

Should I be feeling guilty? Gary may be dying at this very moment, and no one will be there to save him because they're all watching the baseball game.

If anything happens while I'm not there, I am holding the network executives personally responsible.

But for now, maybe I could live without Knots Landing for a week.

## BASEBALL FEVER

Different pitches on America's favorite pastime



"The Athletics. They've got speed, power, crazy Jose. They've got everything and they've won it before so they've got experience."  
-Gerald Kramer  
associate professor of business



"Yankees are my favorite team basically, because they kicked Steinbrenner out I guess. They (Yankees) haven't had a good, serious game and they deserve to win for kicking Steinbrenner out."  
-Brett Shirk  
graduate student



"The A's because they are a good ball club. They have good pitchers and good hitters."  
-Greg Rischer  
custodian



"I think the A's will. I like the A's because I watched them play once. I kind of like them better, I guess."  
-Jeri Jensen  
freshman

What team do you think will win the World Series and why?

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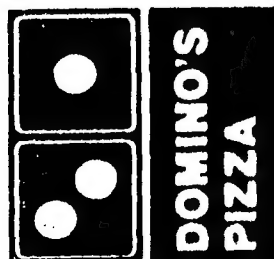


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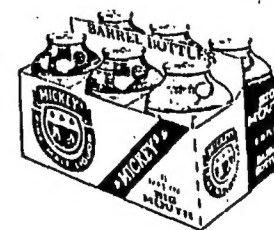
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## Northwest Student reminisces

# Saccone relates to students on campus living

by Jenny Fitch  
Contributing Writer

"I was driving around campus today," said comedian Mike Saccone, "reminiscing. Looking around going, 'I threw up over there, I passed out over there—Oh man! I barely recognize the place sober.'"

Those were the thoughts that ran through Saccone's mind when the 32-year-old comedian returned to Northwest after a 12-year absence. He attended Northwest in 1978-79.

"I never graduated, as you might have guessed," Saccone said. "They let me go. Kicked me out, if you want to say it that way. Evidently my grade point average, I.O. like, it wasn't good enough for them?"

"It was really neat to drive around the campus seeing all the changes. Just driving down I was getting flashbacks. Coming up 71 past the P. T. Lanes, there was all of these flashbacks along with 'Oh my God, that was never there.' Everything has changed quite a bit, but it is a thrill. I think I got some of my tuition money back tonight," he said.

An estimated crowd of 300 showed up for Saccone's show Oct. 1 at the Mary Linn Performing Arts Center.

"I liked him (Saccone) because he was more off-color," said Northwest student Sonya Benson. "He didn't treat us like babies. He wasn't afraid of what he said."

"He was great," said student Julie Moeller. "He pulled jokes off the top of his head. I never



HAVE YOU HEARD THE ONE ABOUT...—Launching the crowd into hysterics, Mike Saccone pulls the punch line to a joke. (Photo by Sabine Grable)

laughed so hard in my life. My stomach hurt when I left. I couldn't believe how funny he was."

Student Jen Elliot, however, got something else from the performance. "Being near flunking, his drop-out status gave me inspiration."

After Saccone left Northwest, he moved to Philadelphia, where he performed comedy for a couple of years.

Saccone then made the big move to New York City, where he has been performing stand-up for the past five years. He also performed in an off-Broadway play.

Then in 1989, Saccone won his first and only regular round in the national Star Search competition. He proceeded with three other winners, an unusual

number to begin with. There are usually only two semifinalists.

Saccone won the semifinal round and proceeded to the finals. His opponent was a man named Spanky. It was then that Saccone received the biggest thrill of his life thus far.

"I don't think I'll ever feel that kind of adrenaline rush, on a contest kind of winning money thing again," said Saccone. "It all built up to one moment when some guy said your name. I remember that my head just went numb. All I heard him say was 'Mi.' and the 'm' came out of his mouth, I couldn't hear anything. I couldn't believe it happened. I made a lot of money off it, and it opened a lot of doors for me."

Right now Saccone feels that his Star Search win has made it

easier to get booked, especially at college campuses. Saccone can also be seen on MTV's Half Hour Comedy Hour, and on the various comedy channels.

Although he is a successful stand-up, Saccone hopes to be able to break into the television and movie businesses.

During his performance, Saccone gave advice to students.

On surviving a roommate: "It's kind of tricky at first. Just communicate with each other if someone is pissing you off. Because you don't know the other person, you are afraid to mention something that's making you mad. You go 'Well-ah that's really pissing me off.' Then they do it again and now it is 'Well it really really is pissing me off.' Then they do it again and it's 'oh man am I.Pissed!' And if you are not communicating you are going to snap out one day. Example: your roommate will go 'Have you seen my notebook?' and you will go 'NO I HAVEN'T SEEN YOUR DAMN NOTEBOOK. I AM TIRED OF LOOKING FOR IT EVERY DAMN DAY!'"

On success after college: "Always have good tires. It's a small thing, but I think it's a thread in life that you need."

On good driving tips: "Be careful when you're partying. I know I make jokes but don't drink and drive. Statistics show that 80 percent of all traffic accidents happen three or four blocks from the house and under 25 mph. So please, when you get near your home, pick it up to 85."

On life: "Follow your dreams."

## Traditional Halloween

Barry whispers tale of watermelon baby



Dave Barry

Syndicated Columnist

OK, youngsters. Gather 'round your old Uncle Dave, and I'll tell you the True Halloween Horror Story about the time my friend Don put his wife's tights on his head.

This was my idea. It was the Halloween of 1978, and the community where I lived had decided to hold a party where the neighborhood children would have some traditional Halloween fun such as bobbing for apples, the theory being that they'd do less traditional Halloween property damage if their lungs were full of water. For the highlight of this party, I was going to tell the terrifying story of the Watermelon Baby.

I learned the Watermelon Baby story when I was a counselor at a place called Camp Sharpshoot. My group, consisting of 9-year-old boys, went by the Indian name "Schaghticoke" (pronounced SCAT-a-cooks), which I believe is the Indian word for "boys who are too scared to go out to the latrine in the woods at night." On camping trips, our primary wilderness pioneer activity was hanging blankets out to dry, the result being that there was no wildlife for 200 miles downwind of our campsite.

This was my fault. Each night we'd gather around the campfire and roast marshmallows as the forest became dark and silent, except for the whisper of the wind in the majestic 200-foot pine trees and the occasional distinctive cry of a "Schaghticoke" attempting to eat a marshmallow that was still technically on fire. Then I'd tell a campfire story, which always started some evil carnivorous nocturnal mutant creature with a name like the Snake Witch, or the Toad Man, or the Giant Fanged Pine Cone Of Death. Naturally, I'd always point out that this creature was known to stalk around in the VERY WOODS where we were camping. As I described the horrible things it did to people and their various internal organs, my voice would get quieter and quieter, until the boys were leaning forward with eyes the size of personal pan pizzas, and my voice would drop to an ominous whisper and ... LOOK OUT!! THERE IT IS!!!

Then I'd wash up and brush my teeth while I waited for the boys to climb back down from the tops of the majestic 200-foot pine trees, after which they'd go to bed, although they would probably never actually sleep again for the remainder of their lives. As a counselor, you like to think you've had an impact on young people.

Anyway, the best Camp Sharpshoot story of all was the one about the Watermelon Baby. This was a monster that looked semi-human except it had a huge head and went around eating everything, sort of like Sen. Edward Kennedy. For some reason this story always drove the Schaghticoke to new altitude records, and so years later I decided to tell it at the community Halloween party. To make it REALLY scary, I devised this plan wherein, at the most dramatic moment, I'd make a Secret Code Hand Gesture, and there, in the window behind me, would appear: THE ACTUAL WATERMELON BABY.

The role of the Watermelon Baby was to be played by my friend Don Macpherson, who met the two major dramatic qualifications:

1. He was around.
2. He had a few beers in him.

To give Don a giant head, I hit upon the idea of borrowing a pair of green tights from his wife, Pat, stuffing one leg with an entire wadded-up Sunday edition of The New York Times, and then pulling it over Don's head. Don's concern at this point was that he perhaps did not look like a terrifying creature of the night so much as a man with newspaper-stuffed tights on his head. Pat and I tried to reassure him that he was indeed very impressive, but this was difficult inasmuch as we were lying on the kitchen floor facedown in puddles of laughter-induced drool.

But finally I talked him into going to the Halloween party site, where he hid outside while I went in to tell the story. Many children were there, and I soon had them spellbound, ready to explode with terror. At exactly the right dramatic moment I made the Secret Code Hand Gesture, and there, in the window behind me, was: nothing.

So I made a more obvious gesture. Still nothing. This did not make for effective drama. It was as if, at the crucial moment in the movie "Jaws," when you're finally going to see the monstrous creature after all the dramatic buildup and the spooky music, the dark water had parted and out had popped: Kermit the Frog. I was waving my arms like a man under attack by hornets, and the children were snickering, and the window was empty, and somewhere out there stumbling around in the night, was the Watermelon Baby, whose vision had become completely obscured by the Arts/Entertainment section.

So, as you youngsters can imagine, old Uncle Dave wound up looking like a total buckethead. But don't laugh too hard, youngsters. Because guess what? Halloween is almost here, and Watermelon Don is STILL OUT THERE somewhere, lurking around. He might even be RIGHT IN YOUR NEIGHBORHOOD. And I bet by now he's VERY annoyed.

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## Sound of Music; Gala benefit to be performed

by Judy Green  
Staff Writer

Music lovers of all kinds can consider themselves fortunate Saturday as all of Northwest's performing groups will take part in a "Musical Benefit Gala" in which 486 students will be featured on stage of the Mary Linn Performing Arts Center.

The benefit is designed to entertain and raise funds to support the needs of the music department which is not funded through student fees or state appropriations. Funds from previous benefit galas have been used to purchase computers and sound systems for the department.

According to department chairman Dr. Richard Bobo, the gala has proven to be a successful event in updating the department's resources.

"The purpose of the benefit, in my opinion is two-fold. It is to help us keep pace with today's training and educating of our students," he said. "We have used funds from the past benefits to

provide up-to-date equipment, as well as updating existing equipment. It has also proven to be a wonderful source of public relations for our department."

In addition to the nearly 100 music majors, the department serves another 500 students who participate in ensembles and music classes.

Music major Kara Weston said the event should prove to be a memorable occasion for music lovers of all ages.

"I think it will be a good opportunity for people to come and see all groups. It is a wonderful representation of the music department and an event that we can all come together to present to the public," she said.

Weston's opinion is supported with that of Alfred Sergel, director of the Bearcat Marching Band, the Dixieland Combo and the Wind Ensemble. Sergel said the event is a chance for all the groups to be noticed together.

"This gives the public a chance to come and hear all of our per-

forming groups in action," he said. "The result is usually that the attendance levels increase at the groups' separate performances after the gala due to the public seeing them at the benefit."

Serving as the master of ceremonies for the event will be Bill Musgrave, a 1971 graduate of Northwest, and currently the vice president for public relations of the Kansas City advertising agency, Bernstein Rein.

The program includes the Bearcat Marching Band, featuring solo twirler Elizabeth Crawford, the Bearcat Steppers and the Northwest Flag Corps; the Northwest Brass Choir; Northwest Celebration; the Flute Choir; The Northwest Jazz Ensemble featuring soloist Kara Weston; Tower Choir, featuring soloists Kyle Gordon, Dr. Stephen Town and Kara Weston; The Chordbusters; the Wind Symphony; the Dixieland Combo; and the University Chorale featuring an oboe solo by assistant professor of Music, Chris Gibson. The Grand Finale of the gala performance


brings all the groups together for the "Battle Hymn of the Republic."

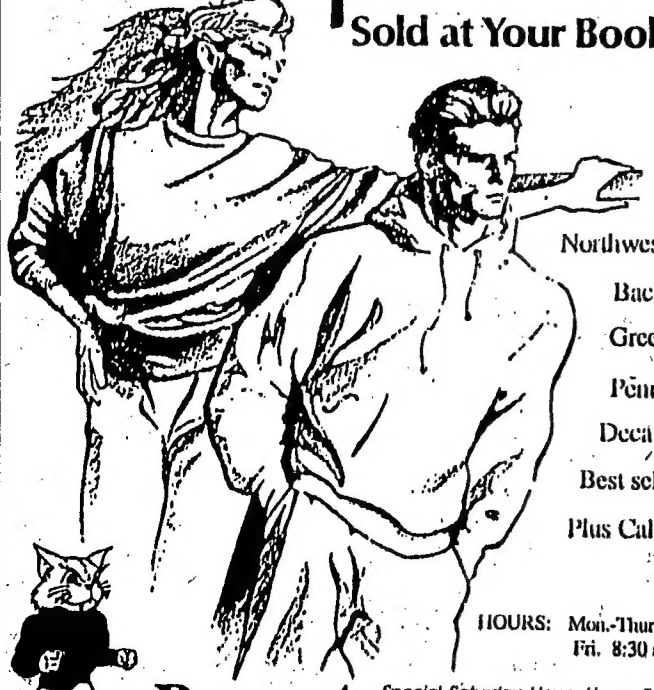
The groups are directed by Ky Hascall, Dr. June McDonald, Byron Mitchell, Dr. Patricia Schultz, Al Sergel, Karl Sievers and Dr. Richard Weymuth.

Tickets to the Oct. 13 event are available in the department of music in the Olive DeLuce Fine Arts Building and at the Mary Linn box office the evening of the gala. General admission tickets are \$5. Tickets for Northwest students are \$3.

Dr. Richard Weymuth, director of Northwest Celebration, said he is looking forward to the event and combining all the groups in such a performance.

"It is wonderful to be a part of a music department that has so many fine groups with such talented performers with the ability to come together and present an event such as this," he said. "It should be a real treat for anyone in the audience."

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# PLEBES

L.T. Horton

A brush with fame

## Trying to lose a "lost boy"



**From Left Field**  
by Don Carrick

You know, I'm usually a pretty cool dude when it comes to meeting celebrities. I try not to get flustered when I meet someone of great importance, which sometimes happens as a photojournalist. I treat them with the same respect I give everyone, and I regard them as equals which allows me to get in and get the pictures I need so I can do my job.

Of course, all that garbage was thrown right out the window when I saw KEIFER SUTHERLAND. (Pause for screams to die down from women who don't have a chance in hell of ever meeting him except in their sick, sweaty dreams) Recently, a fellow photojournalist and myself got our grubby little hands on two press passes to the KY-102 "Day in the Park" concert. The acts included Jude Cole, Eddie Money and the final performance by The Rainmakers. By the time we got backstage we had readied ourselves to meet these people and do our jobs: cover The Rainmakers final show. So, there we were, hanging out with the

people from KY-102, eating free food, drinking free Cokes, and generally living the lives of 20th century gods when a limo pulls up. We believe it's Jude Cole so we saunter over to take a couple pictures of the guy; he steps out and right behind him is KEIFER SUTHERLAND! (pause)

Needless to say I gawked, I mean I wanted to be a vampire after seeing "The Lost Boys," I wanted to be a cowboy after seeing "Young Guns," I didn't want to be an actor after seeing "Renegades," but that's beside the point. I never expected to see him in person, but here he was, walking right toward me.

Then a more sinister thought entered my mind, "Do you think KEIFER SUTHERLAND (pause) has the same affection for photographers that cuddly ol' Sean Penn does?"

I can see it now, he hears the snap of a shutter and suddenly he's upon me, pummeling me with his fists, scarring my cheek with his Brat Pack "Class of 1986" ring. I hear him cry "Here's a hold Madonna showed me!" and as the crowd gasps in awe and reverence, I pass out.

Oh, and here's an even better one. I take a picture and KEIFER SUTHERLAND (pause) yells back

at the limo, "Hey Mongo, fresh meat!" Out of the car comes a 300 pound, 7 foot monster who promptly pops me in his mouth, chews me up, and spits me out while mumbling, "Umm, photographers, Mongo's favorite food!"

Now, since I'm not too keen on traction, I dropped the camera till he was a good 50 yards away and shot some pictures with a 3000mm lens. All the better to keep the short-fused, young star from clubbing the poor, defenseless I'm-just-a-workin'-joe-type photographer in the face.

All afternoon I was haunted with the thought of him seeing me take a quick picture, of him knowing that I was thinking, "I wonder how much the Enquirer would pay for these?" and the horror of him knowing my actual feelings about "Bright Lights, Big City."

When Sutherland (pause) left I breathed a sigh of relief. No more avoiding eye contact with him; no more sneaking shots for the folks back home; no more avoiding the autograph hunters throwing their first-born at me yelling "I'll pay you 50 bucks to get him to sign this!" and no more speaking about "Flashback" in hushed tones.

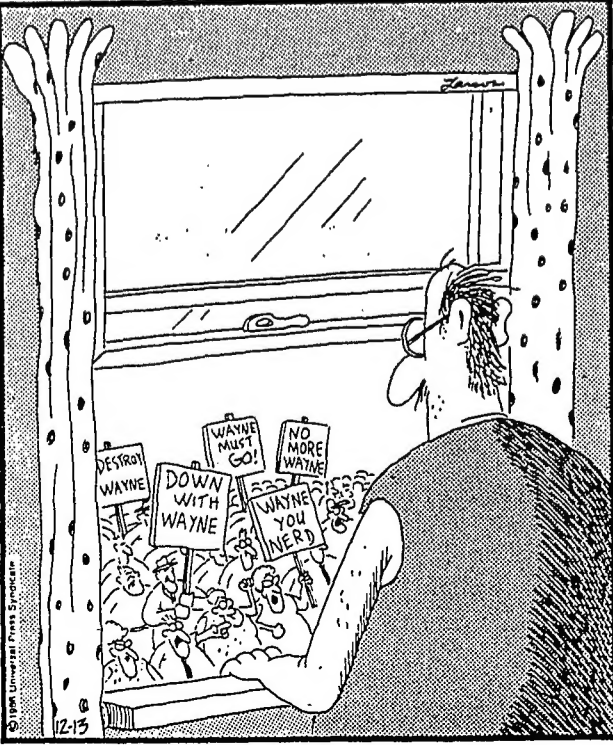
Now, if he'd of only brought Julia Roberts with him....

### THE FAR SIDE

By GARY LARSON

### ZOO U.

by Mark Weitzman



The world was going down the tubes. They needed a scapegoat. They found Wayne.



"Grrrrr.... another foreign accent I can barely understand."

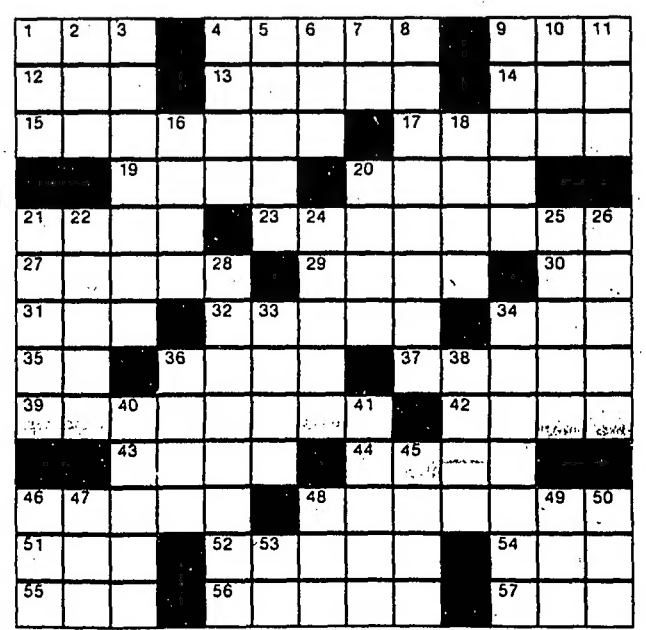
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- 21 Young salmon
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- 27 Lasso
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- 32 Woodland deity
- 34 Cry of dove
- 35 With regard to
- 36 Anglo-Saxon slave

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**October 11, 1990**

- \*Multi-Cultural Relations Tele-Conf. Conference Center
- 9 a.m. Senior Yearbook Portraits
- 9:30 a.m. Foreign Student comm video workshop-Conference Ctr.
- 11 a.m. Portfolios in teaching eval. Union Ballroom
- 1:30 p.m. Portfolios in teaching eval. Union Ballroom
- 4 p.m. Kappa Delta Pi Meeting University Club N
- 4:30 p.m. IFC Meeting-Northwest Rm Panhellenic Meeting Stockman Room
- 7:30 p.m. FILMS: Die Hard & Die Hard II - The Dugout
- 8:30 p.m. BSU Bible Study

**October 12, 1990**

- \*First Block Ends
- 8:15 a.m. CLEP, GED, CAT & MAT tests - Wells Hall 120
- 9 a.m. Senior Yearbook Portraits Colonial Room
- 7:30 p.m. Europe in the Post Comm. Era - Charles Johnson FILMS :DH & DH II The Dugout

**October 13, 1990**

- 8 a.m. GRE - Colden Hall
- 11 a.m. Bearcat Cross Country Classic - Nodaway Lake
- 1:30 p.m. Bearcat Football - Missouri Rolla
- 7 p.m. Department of Music Gala Mary Linn PAC
- 7:30 p.m. FILMS: DH & DH II The Dugout

**October 14, 1990**

- 10:30 a.m. Catholic Mass - Univ. Club
- 5 p.m. Sunday Supper - Wesley Cr.
- 6 p.m. Later at Lamkin III

**October 15, 1990**

- 4 p.m. Homecoming Committee Mtg. Colden Hall 228
- 4:30 p.m. CAPS Meeting - NW Room PRSSA - Wells Hall 141
- 5 p.m. Pi Beta Alpha - Governor's Rm